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Docket No. 48939-01012

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Narayan K. Athanikar, et al.

Serial No.: 09/724,144

Filed: November 28, 2000

For: PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING A
PHARMACEUTICAL CHEWING GUM

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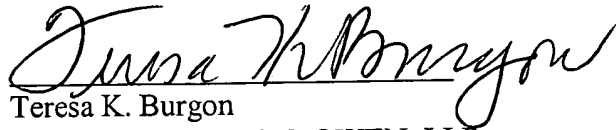
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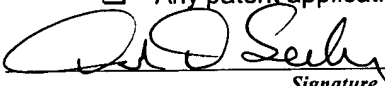
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Invention: PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING A PHARMACEUTICAL CHEWING GUM					
<u>TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 29, 2003

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated April 29, 2003, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and reconsideration of the pending claims, and the further remarks herein.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.